

Hall's Corner Pole Lighting Sunday

Wednesday, November 22, 2000

Neither rain, nor sleet, nor runaway truck will halt Santa's arrival this Sunday afternoon at the Hall's Corner annual pole lighting.

Yes, pole lighting.

There won't be a Christmas tree this year because the cement flagstand at Hall's Corner was struck by a Waste Management rubbish truck, Nov. 10, cracking the base and rendering it unsafe to support a tree.

Instead, the town has strung

white lights from the top of the pole down to each yard arm and onto the base of the pole, much like a sailing ship with a mast decorated with lights.

"It seems in keeping with the nautical flavor of the town," said John Stanton, president of the Rotary Club sponsors of the event. "It's not a tree but the best we could do under the circumstances."

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DPW Director Walter Tonaszuck said that the small circular cement pole stand suffered a serious blow when the truck failed to negotiate the turn and slammed into the planter base.

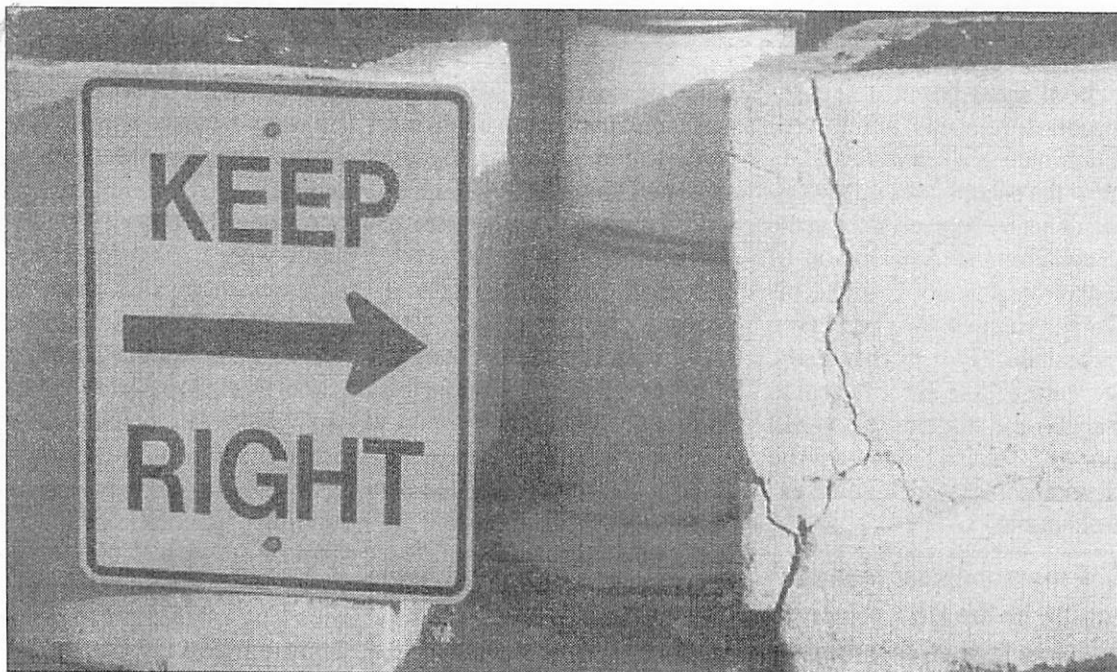
The company's insurance will cover some of the costs of planter replacement which will

be modified by the DPW in cooperation with the Community Garden Club to remove the concrete base and create a two tiered island planter.

Sunday's ceremony will feature the usual array of festive events to kick off the holiday season.

The Snug Harbor Chorus will sing and lead the as-

sembled crowd in Christmas carols from 4 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.. The prize drawing for the Duxbury Business Assn. Duxbury Lights contest will be at 4:30 p.m. and Santa will arrive at 4:45 p.m. All are welcome to attend and get in the holiday spirit with a little hot chocolate, cider and lots of merriment.



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